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SUBJECT: TERRORIST ABDALLAH DENIED PAROLE; APPEAL EXPECTED

REF: A. PARIS 3826

- [1](#)B. PARIS 1692
- [1](#)C. STATE 29445
- [1](#)D. PARIS 775

[1](#)1. (SBU) Embassy Paris was informed by Embassy Counsel Georges Kiejman on the afternoon of October 10 that the Paris Tribunal refused parole for convicted terrorist Georges Ibrahim Abdallah. We expect that Abdallah will file an appeal with the Paris Court of Appeals within the next ten days (the maximum allotted time to file an appeal). A decision by the appeals court would normally be expected within several weeks. The Tribunal's decision also barred Abdallah from requesting parole for at least one year (the appeal being an exception).

[1](#)2. (SBU) The written court decision indicates that the Tribunal refused parole due to (A) the risk that Abdallah poses a continuing terrorist threat in Lebanon and/or other territories and (B) the "situation of the victims" (based on the testimonials provided by Robert Homme and Col. Ray's widow).

[1](#)3. (SBU) Abdallah was convicted in 1987 for the 1982 assassinations in Paris of Embassy Paris' A/DAO Col. Charles Ray and Israeli diplomat Yakov Barsimentov, as well as for the 1984 attempted killing of US Consul General Strasbourg, Robert Homme, outside his official residence. This is Abdallah's fifth request for parole. All but one were denied in the first instance, the other on appeal. The U.S. Government is a civil party to the case. Post will note our appreciation for this update to GOF contacts with whom we have raised this case.

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